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A reading program was developed as an educational project to benefit Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. Students at each grade level (kindergarten through grade eight) read stories and answer comprehension questions. Pledges are made by parents and friends for each question answered. The stories are about: diseases, accidents, accident prevention, children's reactions to hospital stays, dealing with personal differences, etc. For older children, the topics of alcohol and drug abuse are also included. Parents are encouraged to participate by helping their child read and answer the questions. Teachers may use stories or story topics in the classroom for instructional purposes. Teachers are provided with motivational and educational strategies to accompany these stories. These ideas integrate the language arts, social studies, health, and creative arts. Many are based on whole language ideas, and higher level thinking skills are encouraged. All children receive an achievement certificate signifying their participation in the program. Children who collect $10.00 or more in pledges receive prizes for their accomplishments. Children gain a sense of pride as they help other children. (MG)

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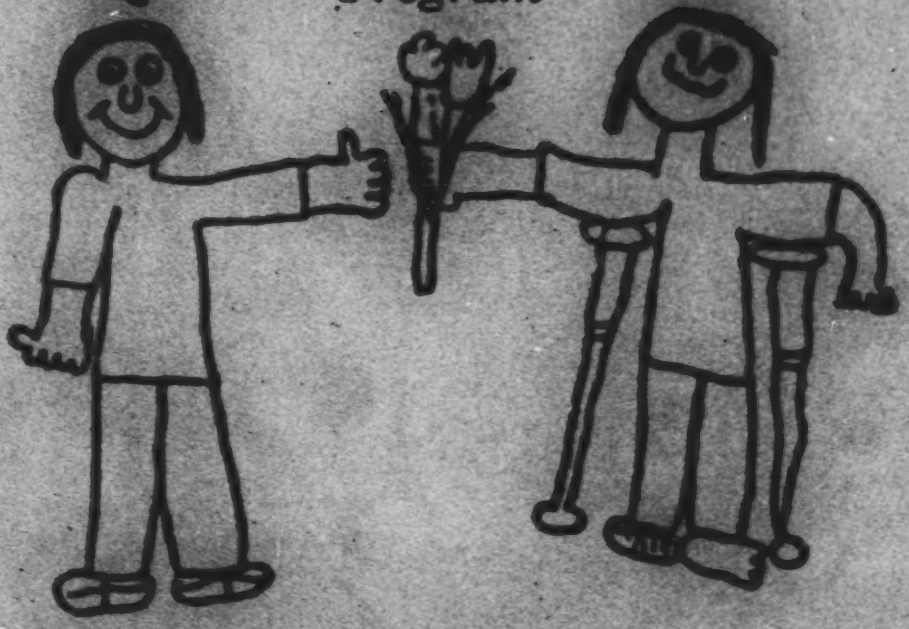

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TEACHER'S GUIDE

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What are these stories about?

The stories are about: diseases; accidents; accident prevention; children's reactions to hospital stays; dealing with personal differences; etc. For older children, the topics of alcohol and drug abuse are also included. Many of these stories highlight personal triumphs.

Who reads these stories?

Any child whose teacher and parent(s) support the project.

Can children receive help with reading and answering questions?

Yes. Parents are encouraged to help their child (regardless of reading ability) read and answer the questions.

How much instructional time will this take?

Very little. Teachers simply take a child's word for his participation and record the money returned. Upon completion of the program, the teacher completes a brief checklist for any prizes earned.

BENEFITS

Reading/Writing Experience

These stories are interesting and educationally sound at each grade level. The questions following each selection are based on a new questioning strategy. Children will be actively engaged in the reading/writing process.

Philanthropy

Children learn to be helping members of society as they raise money for less fortunate children.

Parental Involvement/Interaction

Children will have the opportunity to discuss with parents ideas and concerns that may never have been brought out without the questions following these stories.

Integration of Subjects

Teachers may use stories or story topics in the classroom for instructional purposes. Teachers will be provided with motivational and educational strategies to accompany these stories. These ideas help integrate the language arts, social studies, health, and creative arts. Many are based on whole language ideas, and higher level thinking skills are encouraged.

Intrinsic and Extrinsic Rewards

All children will receive an achievement certificate signifying their participation in the program. Children who collect $10 or more in pledges will receive prizes for their accomplishments. Best of all, children will gain a sense of pride as they help other children.

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KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

This guide is to be used by each participating teacher and includes:

1. Description of event and steps for conducting event.
2. Classroom tally sheet - for each teacher to maintain a record of students participating, pledges collected and shirt sizes for students eligible to receive T-shirts.
3. Order form for ordering additional teacher guides and for ordering student kits.
4. Teacher prize order form to be filled out by each class.
5. Evaluation Form.

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TEACHER EVENT ORDER FORM

Teacher's Name: _____ Phone: _____

School
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date for Event _____

The following materials are provided by the Children's Hospital Foundation. Place your order based on the number of estimated participants. If you have questions, you may call toll-free:

(In Kentucky) 1-800-292-2759, Ext. 8060
(Outside Kentucky) 1-800-354-6524, Ext. 8060

Quantity	Item
_____	Coordinator's Kit
_____	Teacher Guide
_____ (Total)	Student Kit One kit includes: Parent letter, sponsor sheet, collection envelope, booklet and questions, flyers for sponsors (One set per student participating)

(Please total the number of students and enter under "Quantity" for student kits).

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8/9
No. of Students									

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KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

TEACHER'S GUIDE

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION

Originating at one elementary school, Kids Helping Kids captured the interest and imagination of many teachers and students. With over 200 children participating, they raised over $7,000 to benefit Kosair Children's Hospital. From that successful event, the program came to involve teachers from throughout the region.

Teachers contributing their talents and classroom experience authored stories on topics appropriate to different reading levels. Their stories are now compiled by grade cluster, for student reading.

BY TEACHERS FOR STUDENTS

Every booklet for this event was written by classroom teachers in Southern Indiana and Kentucky to give children the opportunity to offer a helping hand to other children. Students read stories and answer questions following each story. As an extracurricular activity, this program involves a minimum of teacher supervision, no grading or classroom time.

TO BENEFIT KOSAIR CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Students sign up sponsors for pledges per story-question answered. Once questions are completed, students collect pledges and are eligible for prizes. Proceeds benefit the patients of Kosair Children's Hospital.

FIRST ANNUAL EVENT

Since the original pilot event, this program is now offered for the first time to schools in Southern Indiana and Kentucky. We look forward to making Kids Helping Kids an annual event and to continued teacher involvement in the program's development. This event is <u>your</u> event.

KIDS HELPING KIDS MATERIALS AND PRIZES

The following materials for conducting **Kids Helping Kids** may be ordered from the Foundation office:

1. Short stories or essays with follow-up questions compiled according to grade cluster. One booklet per participating student.
2. Sponsor sheets and collection envelopes.
3. Teacher guide.
4. Painter caps, T-shirts, sport bags and decal prizes earned according to pledges collected.
5. Event order form (to be turned in to school office if a school event).
6. Parent instruction letter.
7. Flyer on hospital services and income for students to distribute to sponsors.

8. Teacher prize order form (if a school event to be turned in to school office).

9. Classroom tally sheet (one per each teacher).

STEPS TO PLAN YOUR KIDS HELPING KIDS EVENT

1. Kids Helping Kids is a **fund-raising event.** Students sign up sponsors, read stories and answer story questions. Sponsors pledge per question answered. The number of questions may vary by grade level.

2. Estimate number of students participating and turn in to school office your event order form. The office will add your order to the total materials needed for your school (or if a classroom event mail to the Foundation Office).

3. Distribute student kits. Students receive: a parent permission letter (parent completes permission form, detaches form and returns form to you). The kit also includes a sponsor sheet, hospital flyers, stories, questions, and collection envelope. Allow 1-2 weeks for students to contact sponsors.

4. Allow 1 week for students to read and answer questions. Parents verify the number of questions answered on the Student Sponsor Sheet. Allow 1-2 weeks for students to collect pledges.

5. Students return total pledges and sponsor sheets to teachers. Prize order form is completed for each class and pledge money collected is returned to school office (or if a classroom event to the Foundation Office). Checks should be made out to **Children's Hospital Foundation.** (Please allow 3 weeks for prize delivery.)

6. Kids Helping Kids may be conducted as a classroom activity or school event. If your event is not a school program, please return prize and event order form to:

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If you have questions, you may call toll free:
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(Outside Kentucky: 1/800/354-6524, Ext. 8060)

DON'T FORGET!

An evaluation questionnaire is included in your Kids Helping Kids event kit. Please don't forget to finish the questionnaire and return it to the Foundation office. Your evaluation helps to plan for next year.

THANK YOU!

Please call our office for information on field trips and programs available from Kosair Children's Hospital.

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CLASSROOM TALLY SHEET
(A record-keeping form for your convenience)

Teacher's Name_____ Team Total $_____

(Record student's name, amount collected, and as needed, shirt size.)

STUDENT'S NAME	PLEDGE MONEY COLLECTED	FOR STUDENTS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE T-SHIRT Shirt Sizes S	M	L
1._____	$_____	___	___	___
2._____	$_____	___	___	___
3._____	$_____	___	___	___
4._____	$_____	___	___	___
5._____	$_____	___	___	___
6._____	$_____	___	___	___
7._____	$_____	___	___	___
8._____	$_____	___	___	___
9._____	$_____	___	___	___
10._____	$_____	___	___	___
11._____	$_____	___	___	___
12._____	$_____	___	___	___
13._____	$_____	___	___	___
14._____	$_____	___	___	___
15._____	$_____	___	___	___
16._____	$_____	___	___	___

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(Record student's name, amount collected, and as needed, shirt size.)

STUDENT'S NAME	PLEDGE MONEY COLLECTED	FOR STUDENTS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE T-SHIRT Shirt Sizes S	M	L
17.	$			
18.	$			
19.	$			
20.	$			
21.	$			
22.	$			
23.	$			
24.	$			
25.	$			
26.	$			
27.	$			
28.	$			
29.	$			
30.	$			
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32.	$			
33.	$			
34.	$			
35.	$			
36.	$			
37.	$			
38.	$			
39.	$			
40.	$			

KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

TEACHER PRIZE ORDER FORM

Teacher's Name:_____ Phone:_____
School
Address: _____

City: _____ State:_____ Zip:_____

Date for Event_____

Please complete this report and prize order form for your event. You will receive within 3 weeks prizes for distribution to event participants.

Total # Students Participating _____ Total Pledges Collected $_____

Please deliver the following prizes to the above address:

INCENTIVES	NUMBER	INCENTIVES	NUMBER
T-SHIRTS		DECAL	
Child Small		SPORT BAG	
Child Medium		PAINTER CAP	
Child Large			
TOTALS			

Prizes are awarded according to pledges collected:
Students collecting $10, receive a Decal; $25, a Cap and Decal; $50, a Cap, Decal, and T-Shirt, $100, a Cap, Decal, T-Shirt, and Sport Bag.

T-shirt orders are final. We regret that we cannot exchange sizes.

Thank you.

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KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

TEACHER EVALUATION

Teacher's Name: _____ Phone: _____
School
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Grade: _____

1. The quality of stories for students to read was:
   Excellent __ Good __ Fair __ Poor __

2. The quality of story questions was:
   Excellent __ Good __ Fair __ Poor __

3. Instructions, event guide, and other materials provided by the Foundation office were:
   Excellent __ Good __ Fair __ Poor __

   Comment _____

4. The prizes and prize structure were:
   Excellent __ Good __ Fair __ Poor __

5. Prize Delivery was: Excellent __ Good __ Fair __ Poor __

6. I would like to see students reading stories written by students:
   Yes __ No __

7. Story topics I would like included are: _____

_____

_____

8. I am interested in writing stories to be used in future events.
   Please send me a guide. Yes __ No __

9. Other comments or suggestions: _____

_____

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STUDENT KIT

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EVENT PERMISSION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Parent,

Kids Helping Kids is a special event to benefit Kosair Children's Hospital. Your child is asked to contact sponsors and collect pledge money. This is how it works.

Students receive reading booklets with questions. Since this program is not a classroom activity, it gives you the opportunity to discuss the stories and your child's answers or, for younger children, you may read stories to them and let your child tell you the answers to the questions following each story.

Students signing up for Kids Helping Kids are asked to:

1. Contact sponsors for pledges per questions answered.
2. Read the booklet and answer or discuss story questions.
3. Collect pledges and show sponsors the Sponsor Sheet with the parent's signature indicating the number of questions answered.
4. Turn in to teacher the Collection Envelope with pledges and Sponsor Sheet.

As an expression of our appreciation for your child's good citizenship, Kosair Children's Hospital will reward your child with a decal for $10 in pledges collected, a painter's cap and decal for $25, a cap, decal, and T-shirt for $50, and a cap, decal, T-shirt, and sport bag for $100.00.

Thank you for giving your child permission to participate in this event. Many children at Kosair Children's Hospital will benefit from your child's contribution.

Detach and return to teacher

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Yes, I give my permission for _____ (Child's name)

to participate in Kids Helping Kids:

_____ (Parent's name) _____ Date

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KIDS HELPING KIDS
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

What is it?

It is an educational project designed to benefit Kosair Children's Hospital. Students are asked to:

- Contact sponsors for pledges per question answered.
- Read their booklet and answer questions (parents verify the number of questions completed; students may write or discuss the answers).
- Collect pledges and turn in pledge collection to teacher in the collection envelope provided. Please enclose sponsor sheet.

What are these stories about?

These stories are about personal difficulties and triumphs. Children will have the opportunity to discuss with parents ideas and concerns that may never have been bought out without the questions following these stories.

Can children receive help with reading and answering questions?

Yes. Parents are encouraged to help their child (regardless of reading ability) read and answer questions.

How will my child benefit?

Children will be actively engaged in the reading and writing process while learning about community service. In appreciation for your child's good citizenship, the following items are awarded according to pledges collected:

$10 - Painter's Cap.
$25 - Painter's Cap, and Just for Kids button.
$50 - T-Shirt and Painter's Cap.
$100 - T-Shirt and Sport Bag.

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SPONSOR SHEET

Student's Name _____ Home Phone _____

Home Address _____

School Name _____ School Phone _____

School Address _____

All sponsors you sign up pledge their support to benefit patients at Kosair Children's Hospital. The full amount of each gift contributes to cancer research for children and is tax deductible.

Students return collection envelope with pledge money and sponsor sheet to the student's teacher.

SPONSOR'S NAME	ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER	PLEDGE FOR QUESTIONS ANSWERED	TOTAL PLEDGE DUE
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			
11.			
12.			
13.			
14.			
15.			

TOTAL PLEDGES COLLECTED: _____

This is to verify that _____ answered _____ questions
(student's name) (number of)

_____
(Parent's Signature)

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Dear Sponsor:

This child is participating in a read-a-thon to benefit Kosair Children's Hospital. For grades 1-8* ten stories will be read, followed by a total of 100 comprehension questions. This means that a pledge of 3¢ per question would ultimately lead to a $3.00 (tax deductible) donation, if all the stories are read and all questions are answered.

This project promotes reading comprehension and civic responsibility in the reader as well as parental involvement.

One hundred percent (100%) of your gift will be used for cancer research at Kosair Children's Hospital.

Thank you for your interest.

Susan Ridout

Susan Ridout, Phd.
Event Coordinator

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COORDINATOR'S KIT

KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

This Coordinator's Kit includes:

1. Description of event and steps for conducting event.
2. School order form for ordering additional teacher guides and for ordering student kits for school events.
3. School prize order form to be filled out for school events.

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SCHOOL EVENT ORDER FORM

Event Coordinator: _____ Phone: _____

School
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date for Event _____

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COORDINATOR'S EVENT KIT

Steps for Conducting Event:

1. Your kit includes these items for conducting your school program, a sample teacher's guide to be distributed to each teacher participating in Kids Helping Kids, a school event order form, and a school prize order form.

2. Distribute guides to each classroom teacher. Teachers submit to the school office an order form for ordering student kits. Student kit orders are based on the number of students per class and grade level.

3. Complete the order form (totals by grade of all participating classes) and send to the Children's Hospital Foundation.

4. Teachers receive student kits. Parents sign the permission slip included on the parent letter and return to the teacher.

5. Determine a schedule of activity. Your school might plan the event as follows:

Allow 2 weeks for student kits to be delivered.

Plan for a school assembly to kick off event immediately after student kits are distributed.

Allow 1 week for students to contact sponsors, read booklets and answer questions. Once questions are answered give students one week to take sponsor sheet, signed by parent verifying answers, back to sponsors for collecting pledges.

Allow 3 weeks for prize delivery. Please ask teachers to complete prize orders and return to school office. On receipt of your school prize order (the total from each classroom) prizes will be mailed to your school from the Foundation Office.

Event Promotion

1. Schedule an assembly program to kickoff the event. Identify a student who has been in Kosair Children's Hospital or a parent to talk to students. Request a representative from the Foundation to speak to students. Announce to the school there will be a poster contest during the 2-3 weeks your school is conducting Kids Helping Kids

2. While event is being conducted PA announcements can be used to remind students to contact sponsors, read stories, answer questions, and collect pledges.

KIDS HELPING KIDS READING PROGRAM

SCHOOL PRIZE ORDER FORM

School Name:_____ Phone:_____
School
Address: _____

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